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C O N F I D E N T I A L PORT OF SPAIN 1042

E.O. 11652: GDS
SUBJECT: ETRD, UNCTAD, IDB, TD
SUBJECT: THE COMMOND FUND: BILATERAL CONTACTS

REF: (A) STATE 082918; (B) PORT OF SPAIN 0904

1. OFFICIAL WHO ACTUALLY DECIDES COMMON FUND POLICY HERE
IS PRIME MINISTER WILLIAMS. AS OUR ACCESS TO HIM IS LIMITED
AT PRESENT, IT IS NOT LIKELY WE WILL HAVE OPPORTUNITY TO
DISCUSS ISSUES WITH HIM. IN GENERAL, HOWEVER, TRINIDAD AND
TOBAGO VOTES ALONG WITH G-77 IN MOST UN MEETINGS WITHOUT
TAKING ACTIVE ROLE IN DEVELOPING THE GROUP'S POSITION, UNLESS
ISSUE IS OF DIRECT INTEREST TO TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO.

2. GOTT OFFICIAL WITH ACCESS TO WILLIAMS MOST KNOWLEDGEABLE
ON COMMON FUND IS PERMANENT SECRETARY IN MINISTRY OF FINANCE,
FRANK BARSOTTI. HE NOT ONLY HAS GREAT PERSONAL INTEREST IN
NORTH/SOUTH ISSUES, BUT AS CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF CARONI,
LTD., THE GOVERNMENT-OWNED SUGAR COMPANY, HAS OFFICIAL
RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE ONLY COMMODITY (OTHER THAN OIL) OF WHICH
TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO IS A SIGNIFICANT EXPORTER. HE
PLANS TO ATTEND VANCOUVER MEETING OF IDB APRIL 17-19,
AND IF SCHEDULE OF USDEL TO IDB MEETING PERMITS, THIS
MAY BE GOOD OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS ISSUES WITH HIM.
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WE WILL OF COURSE PASS ALONG TALKING POINTS IN
REF (A) TO BARSOTTI AND OTHERS HERE AS OPENINGS
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